

REMARKS

The present application is a continuation application of Application No. 09/560,184 ("parent application"), and is being filed to obtain the benefits afforded by the AIPA. Applicant intends to file a second Preliminary Amendment in order to amend the claims, which are currently in their original form. Should the Examiner reach this application for action prior to receiving the second Preliminary Amendment, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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